



Clinical Update: iCMR EP

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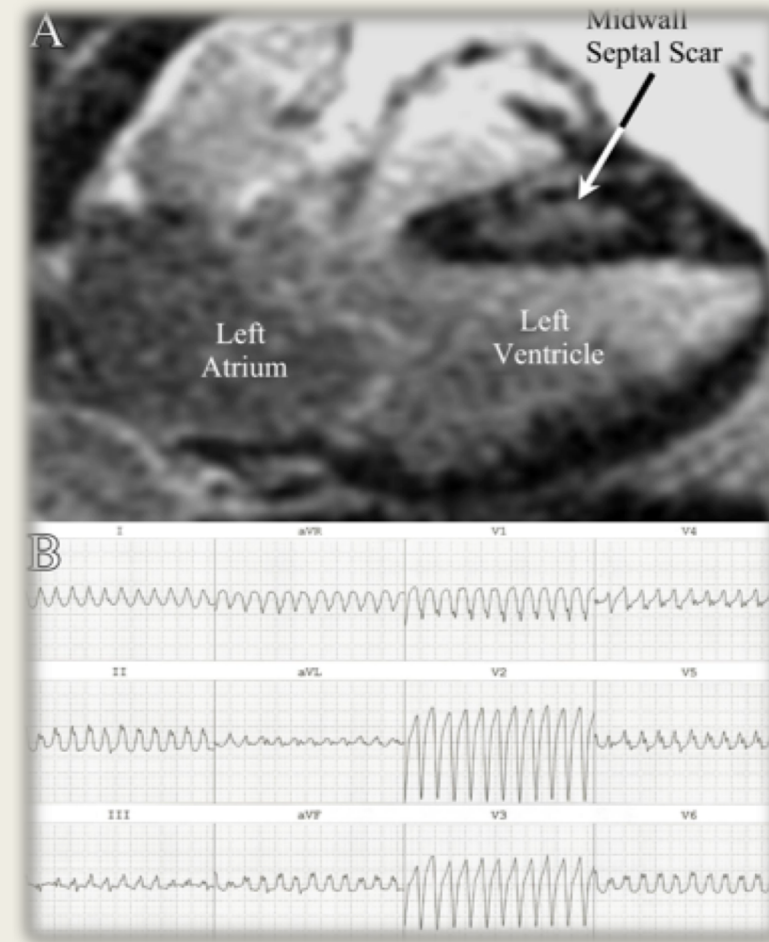
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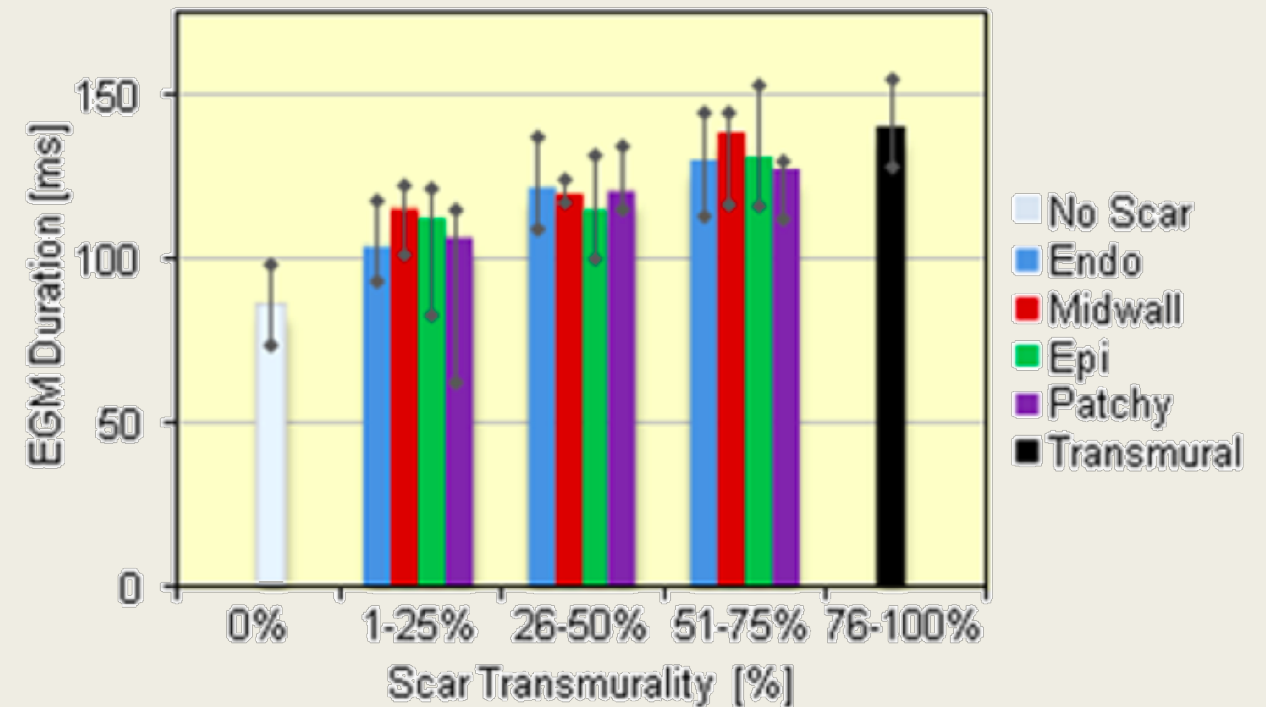
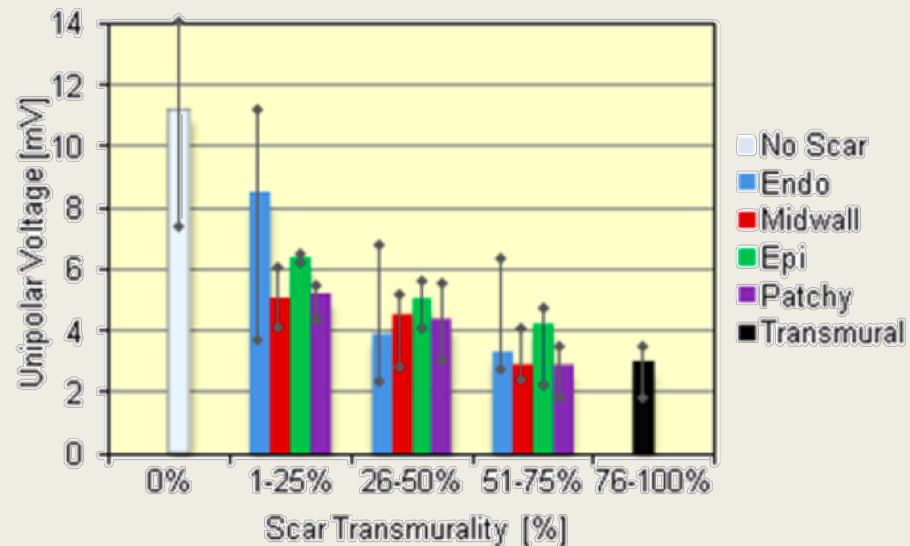
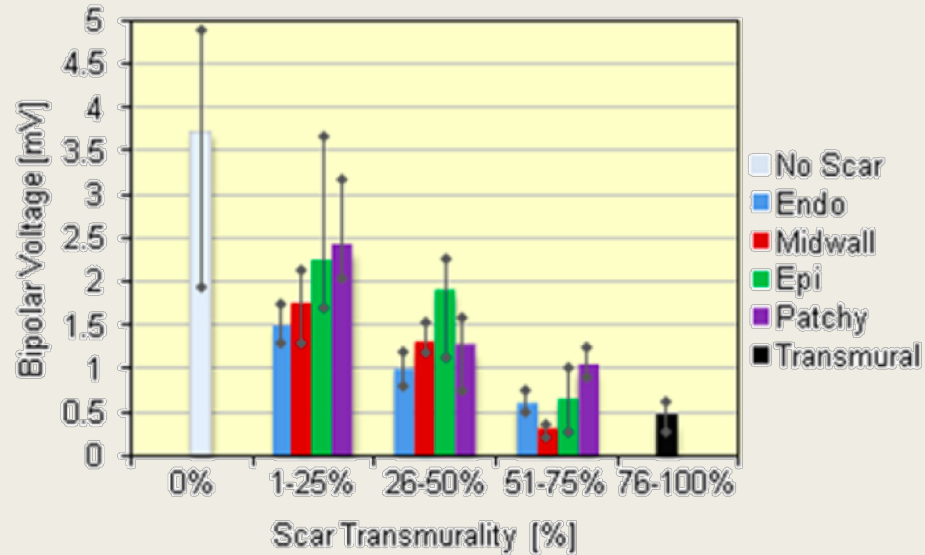
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The Reentry Substrate for Non-ischemic Cardiomyopathy

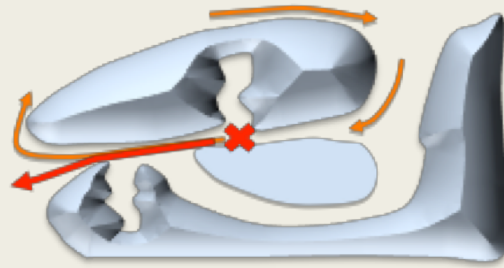
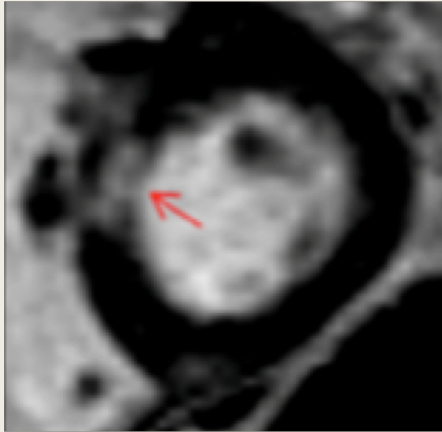
- We performed CMR imaging in 26 patients with NICM prior to EP study
- Midwall scar with > 25% scar transmuralities was associated with inducible VT
 - *OR 9.1, $P=0.02$ (multivariable analysis)*
- Morphology of VT was consistent with an exit site near the visualized scar



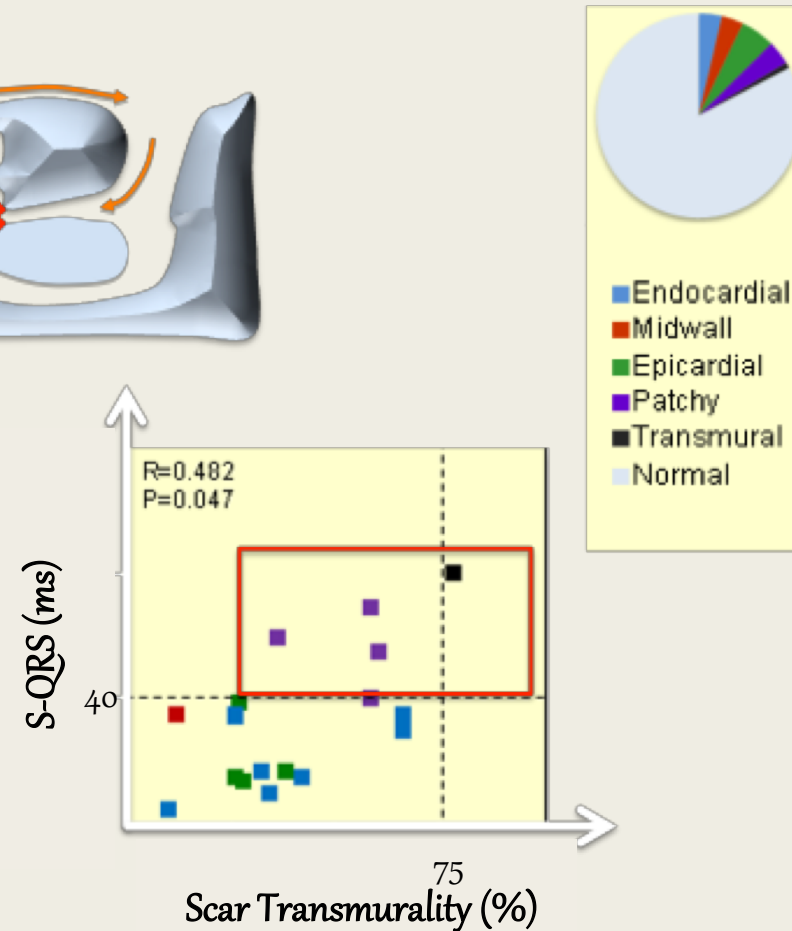
Association of LGE and EGM Characteristics in NLCM



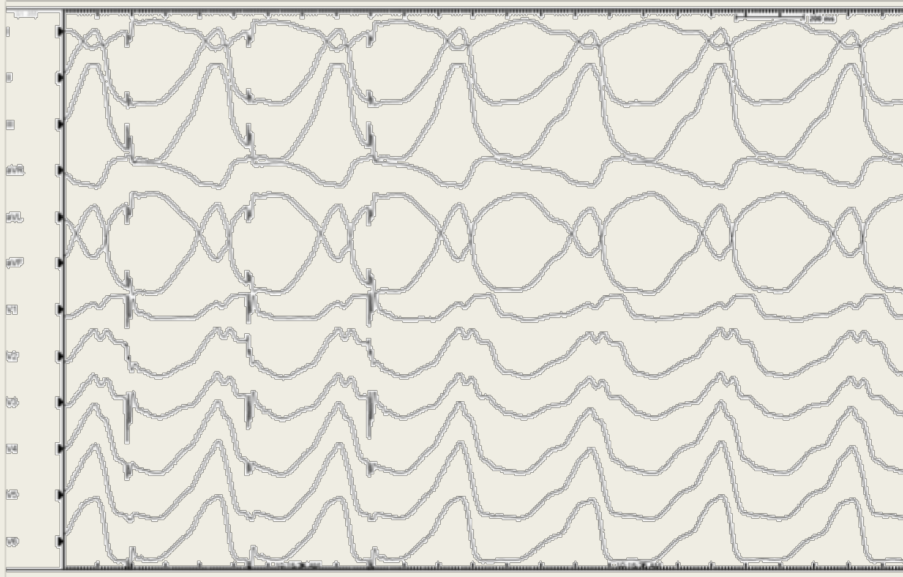
VT Circuit Sites and Scar Transmurality in NICM



Slow conduction regions defined by >40 msec of S-QRS delay, were confined to regions with $>75\%$ scar transmurality or patchy scar.



Anatomy of Ischemic VT Circuit Sites

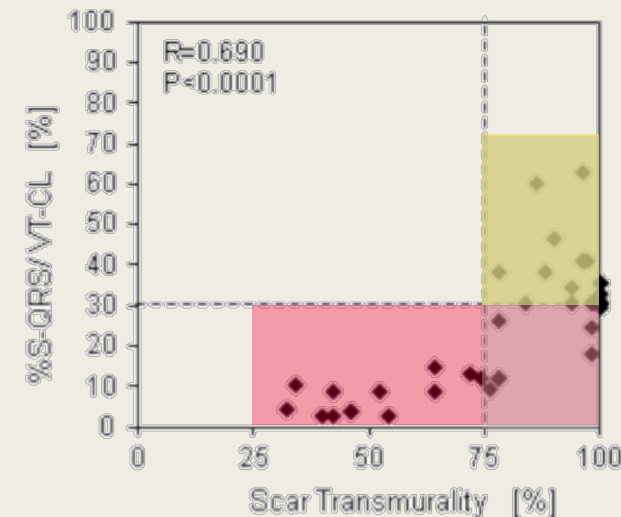
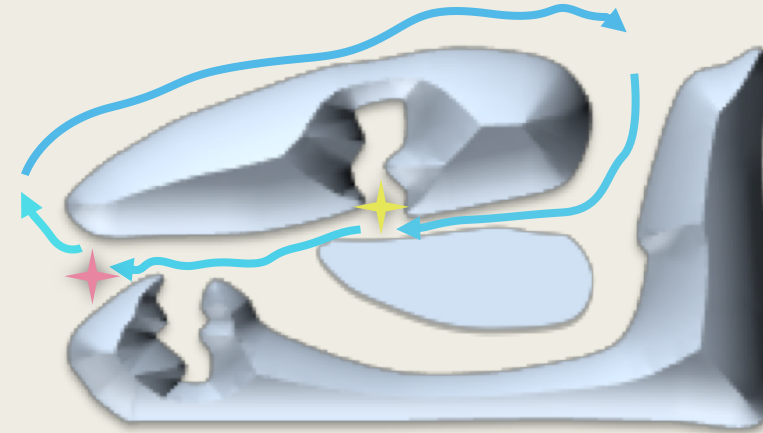


%S-QRS/VT-CL

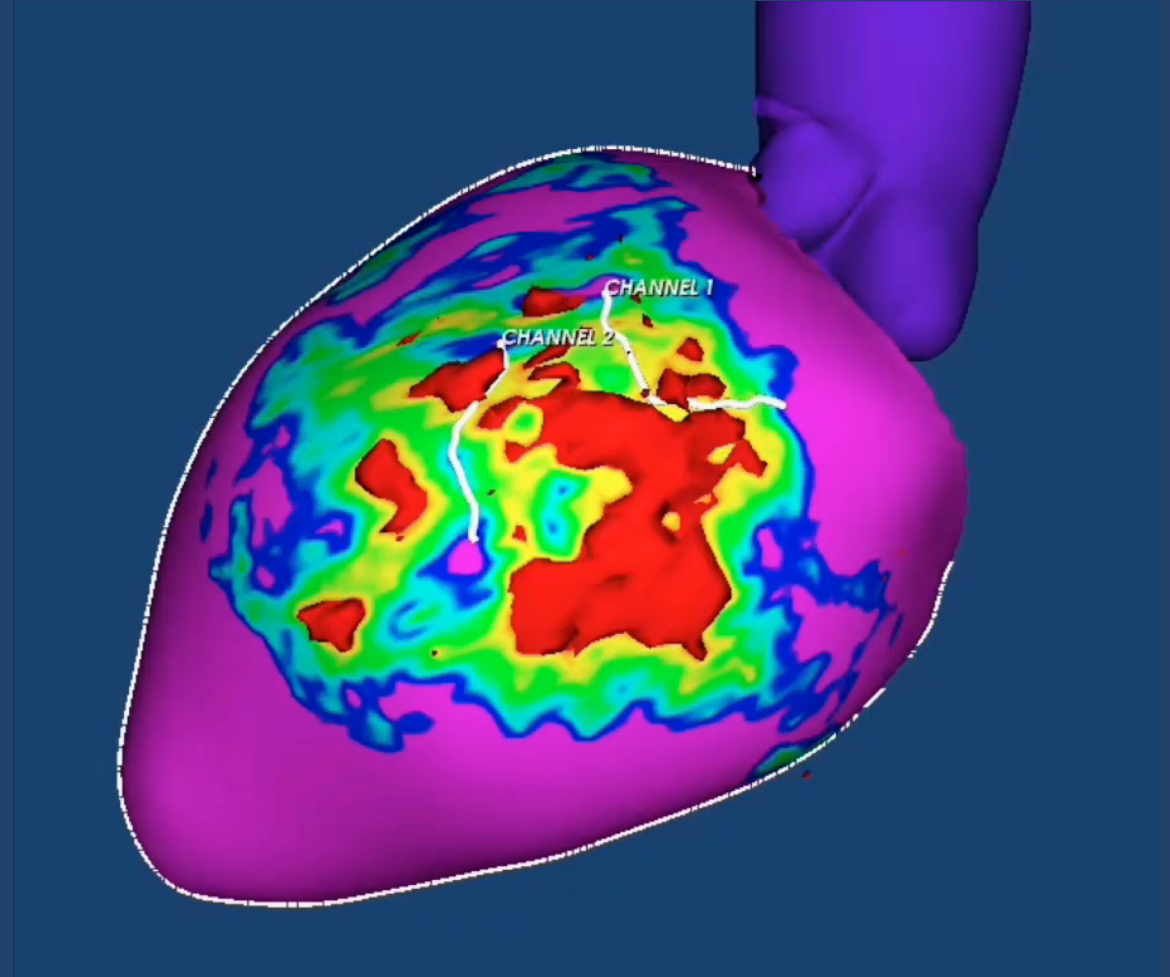
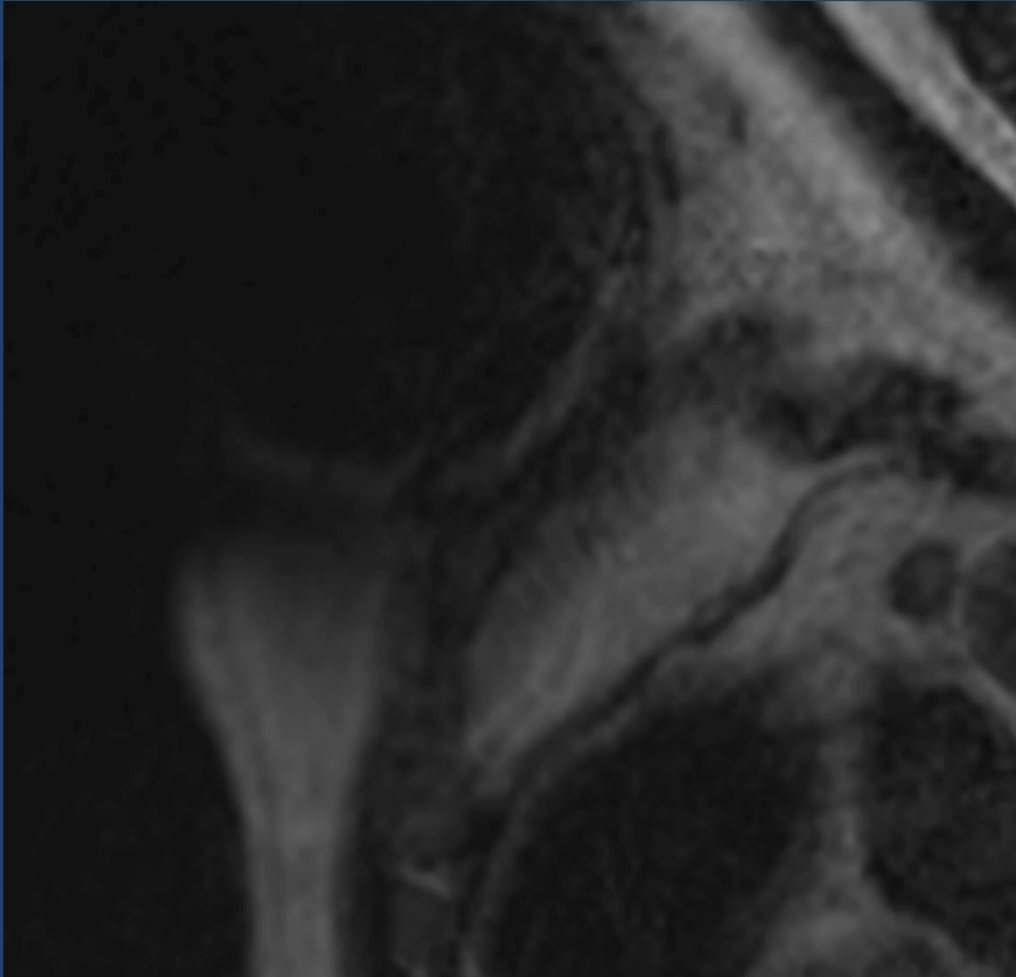
VT exit sites <30%

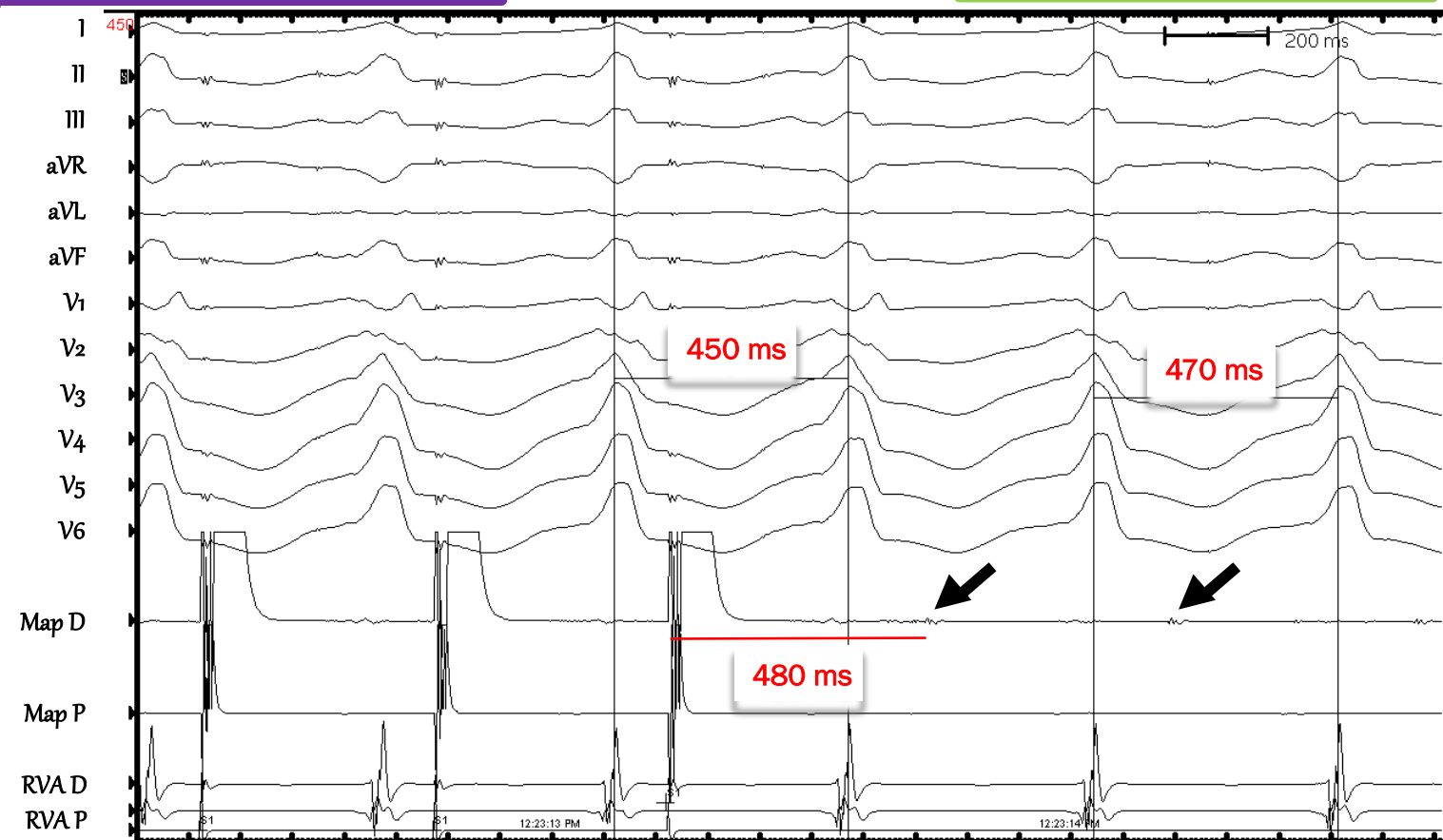
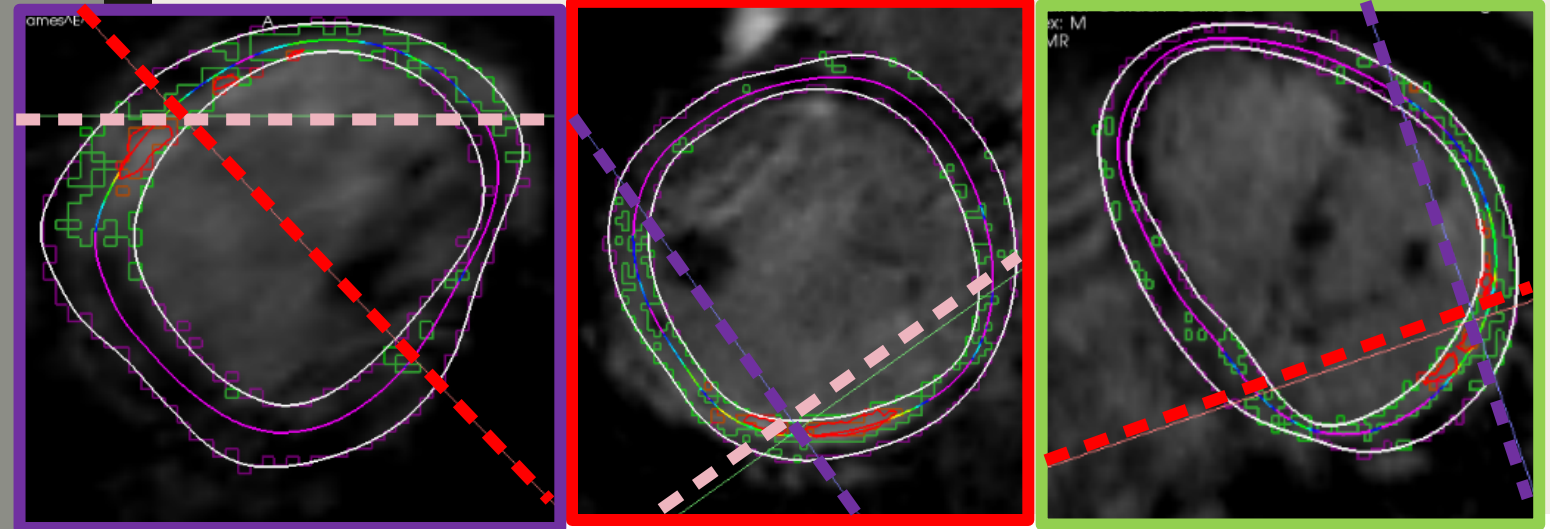
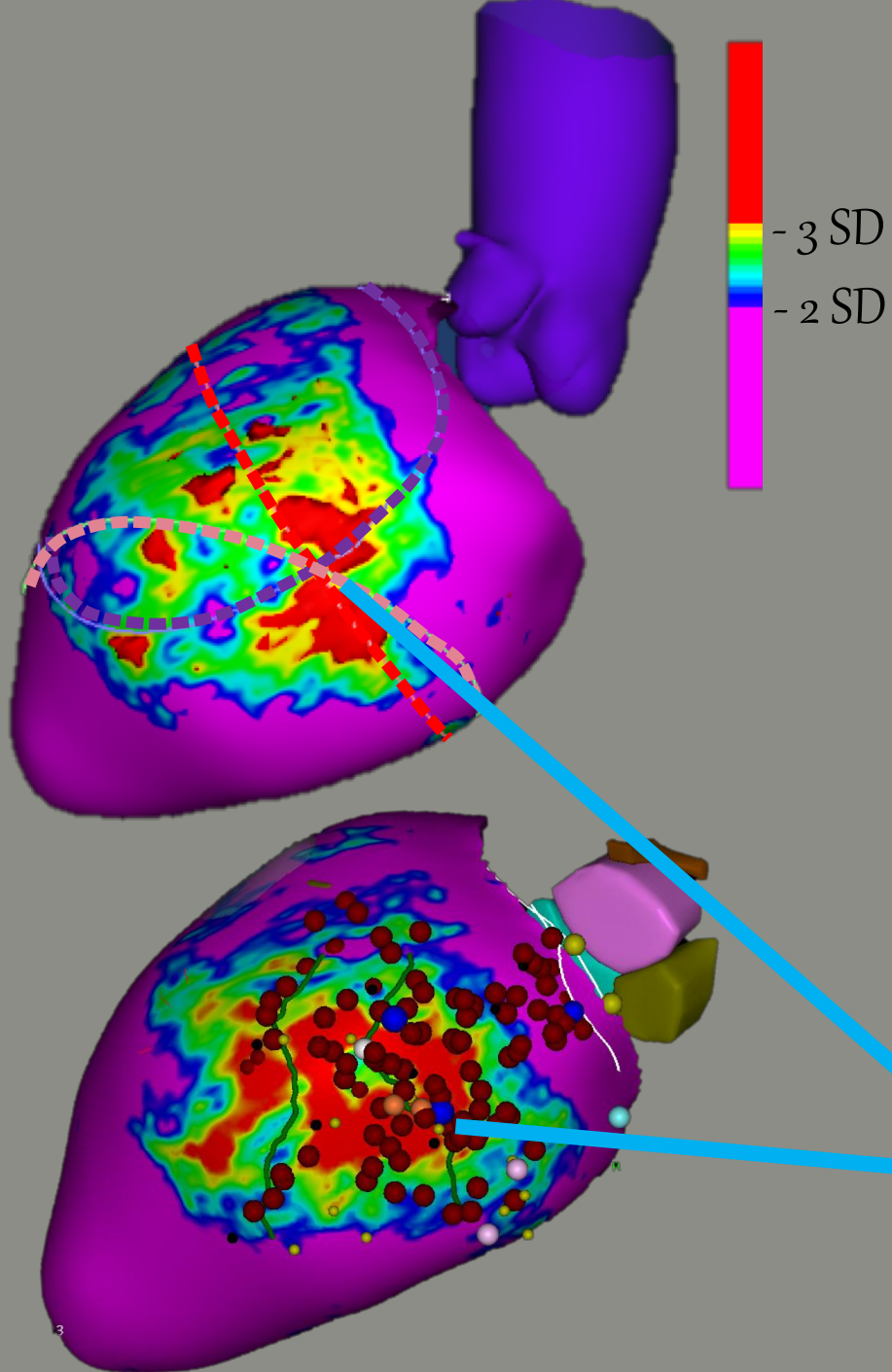
Central Pathway 30-70%

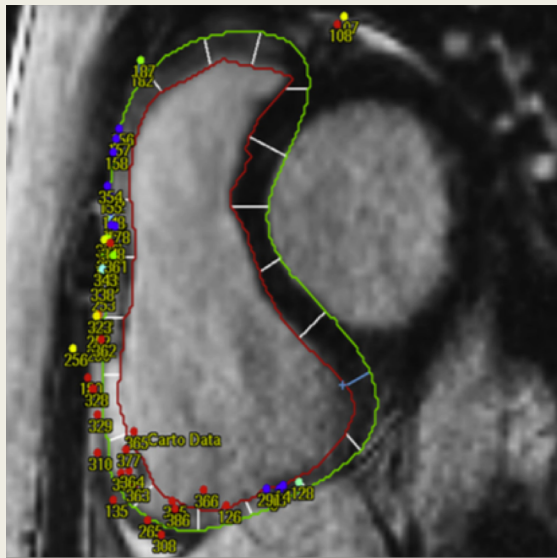
Targeting sites with >75% scar transmurality with ablation would eliminate central pathway VT sites with 100% sensitivity and 65% specificity



Channel Visualization

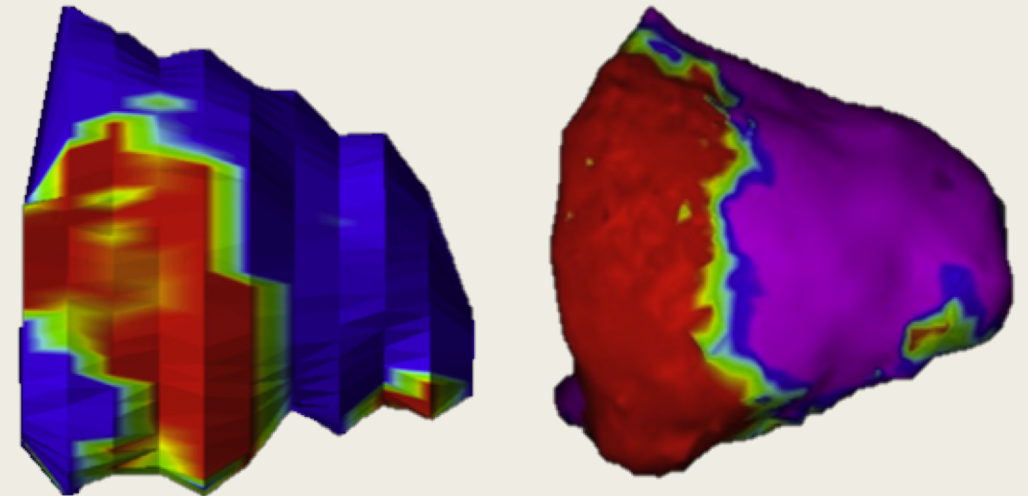
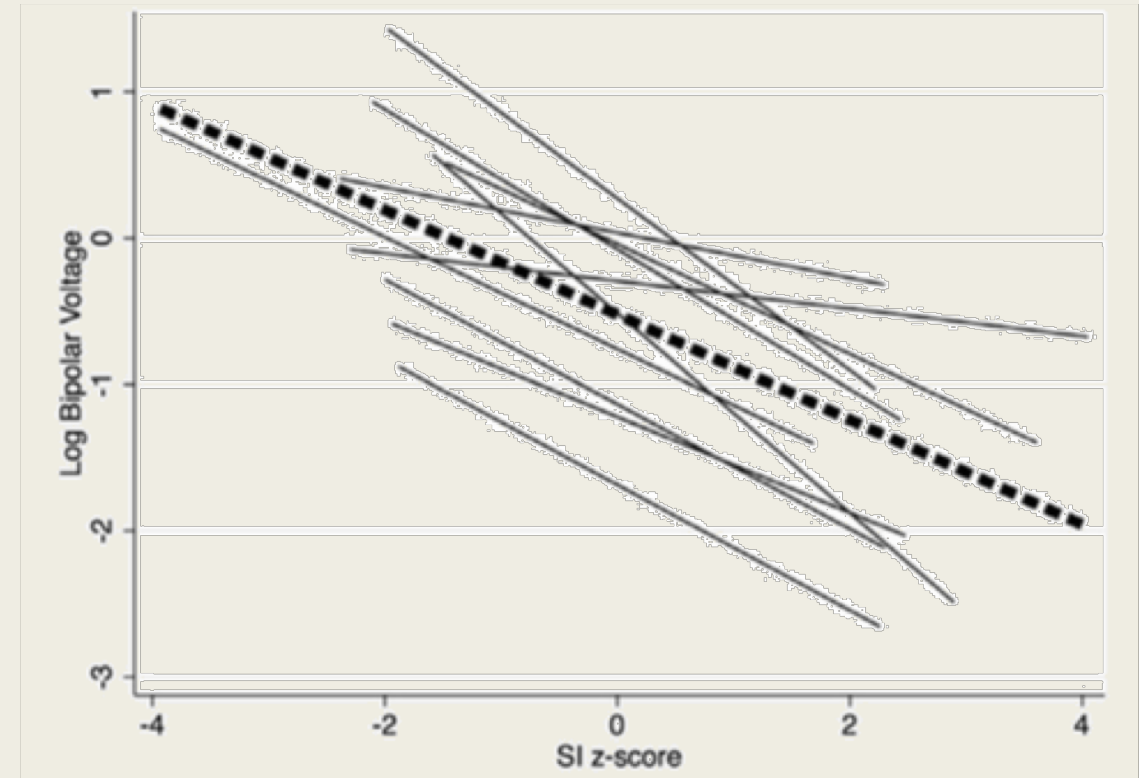




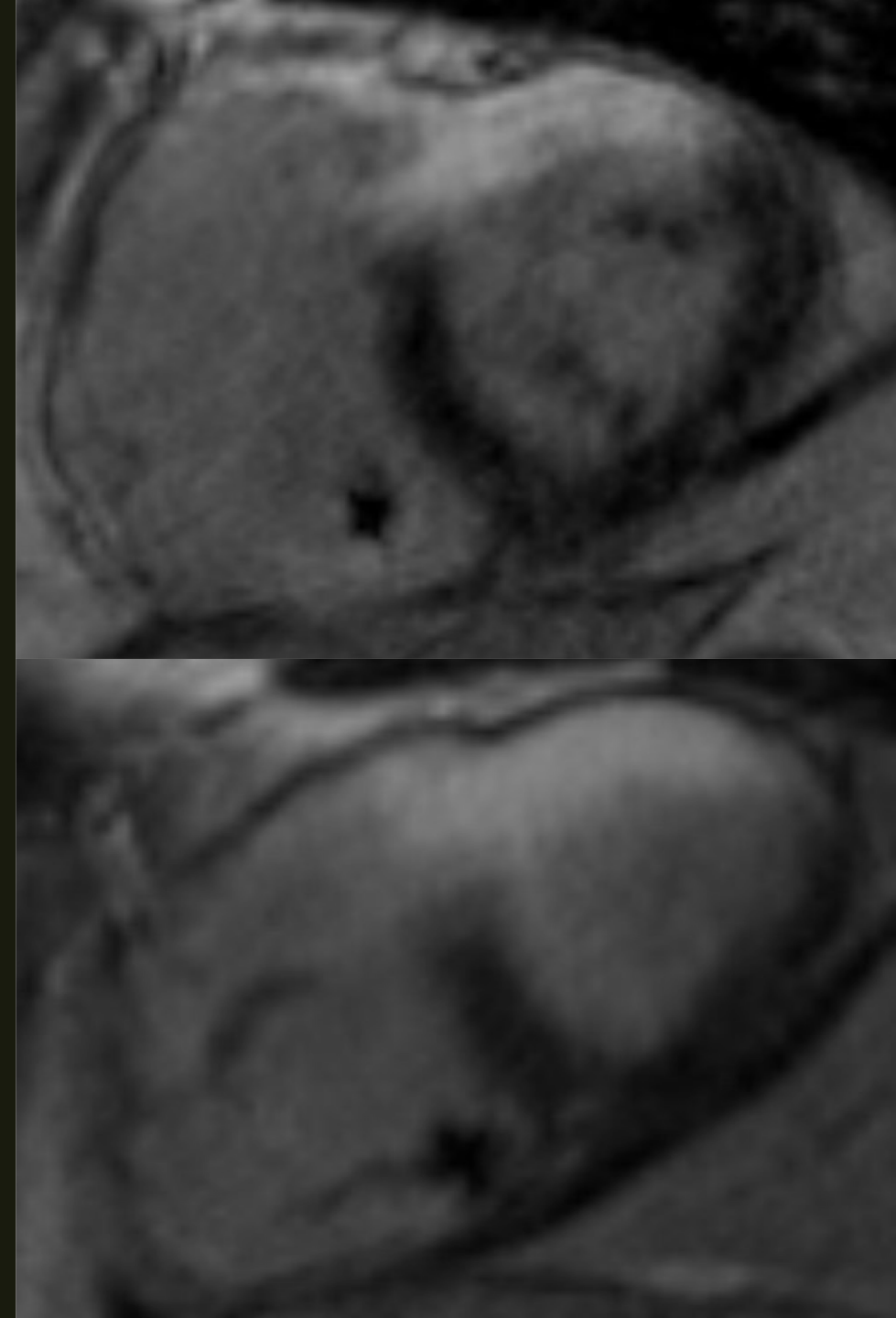
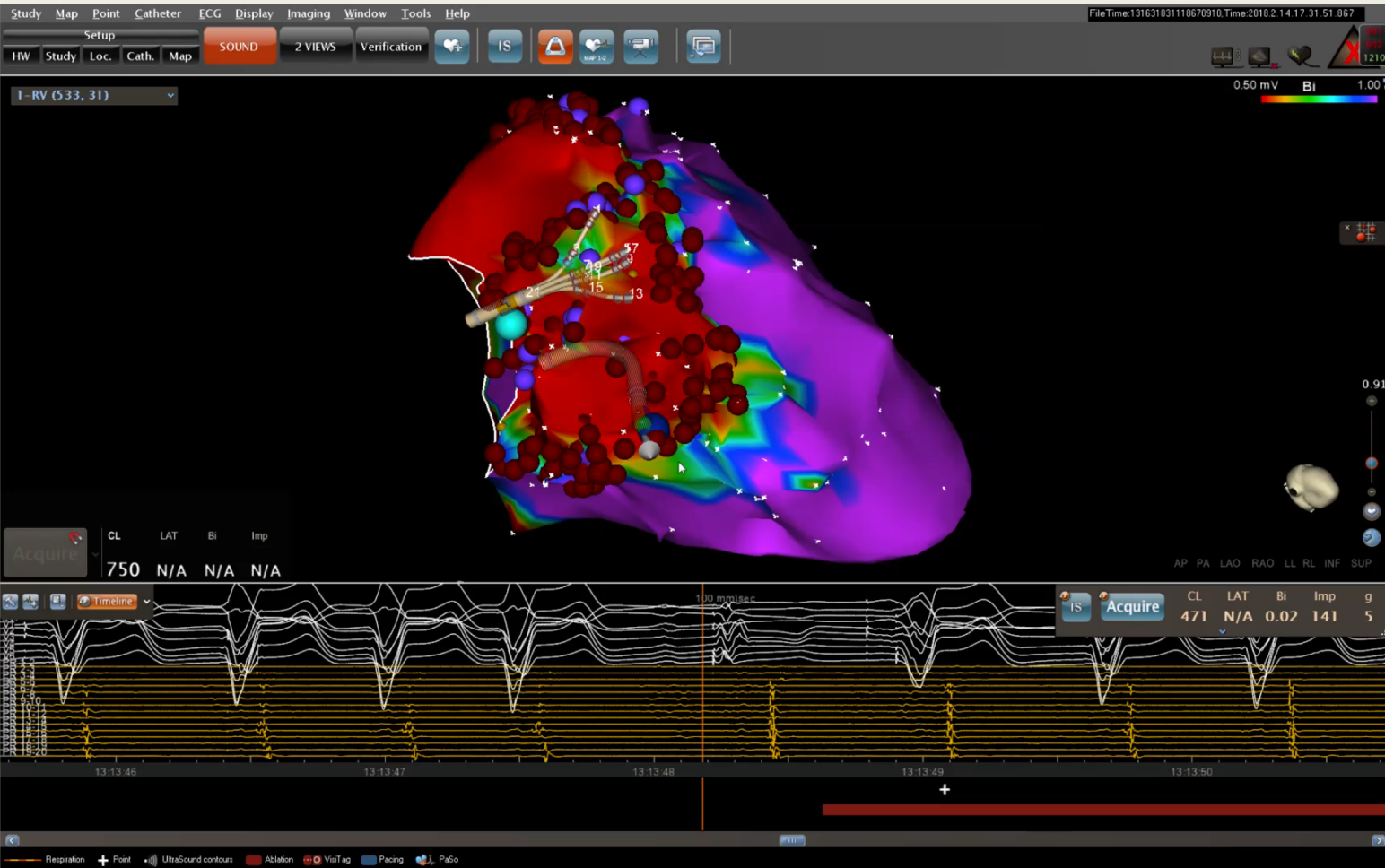


$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

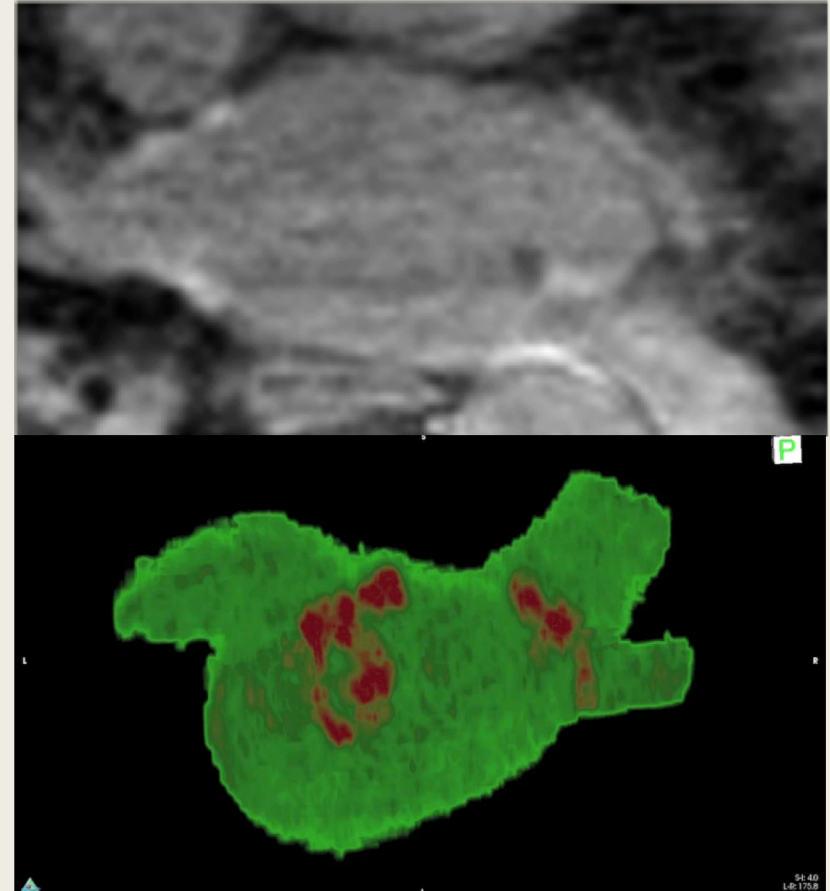
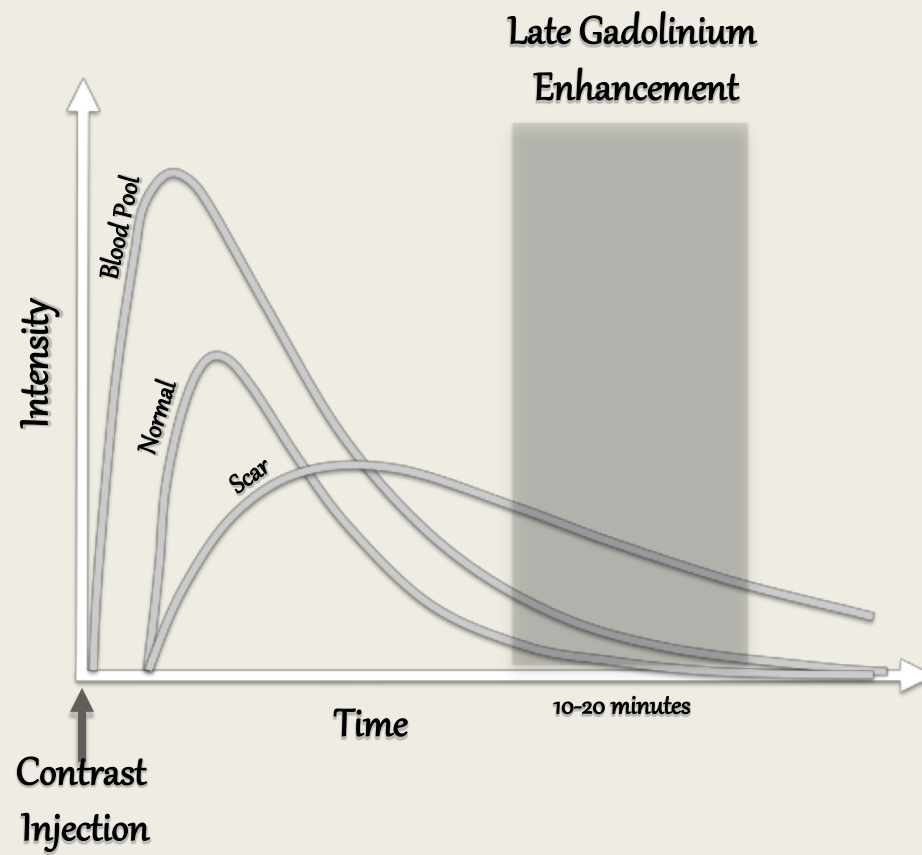
- Patient-clustered (n=10), GEE models that included 3205 epicardial sites, showed that EGM amplitude is associated with regional SI z-scores
 - *Bipolar* : -1.43 mV/z-score, $P < 0.001$
 - *Unipolar* : -1.22 mV/z-score, $P < 0.001$
- SI z-score thresholds corresponding to bipolar voltage measures were determined:
 - $< 0.5 \text{ mV}$: *z-score* > 0.05
 - $> 1.0 \text{ mV}$: *z-score* < -0.16



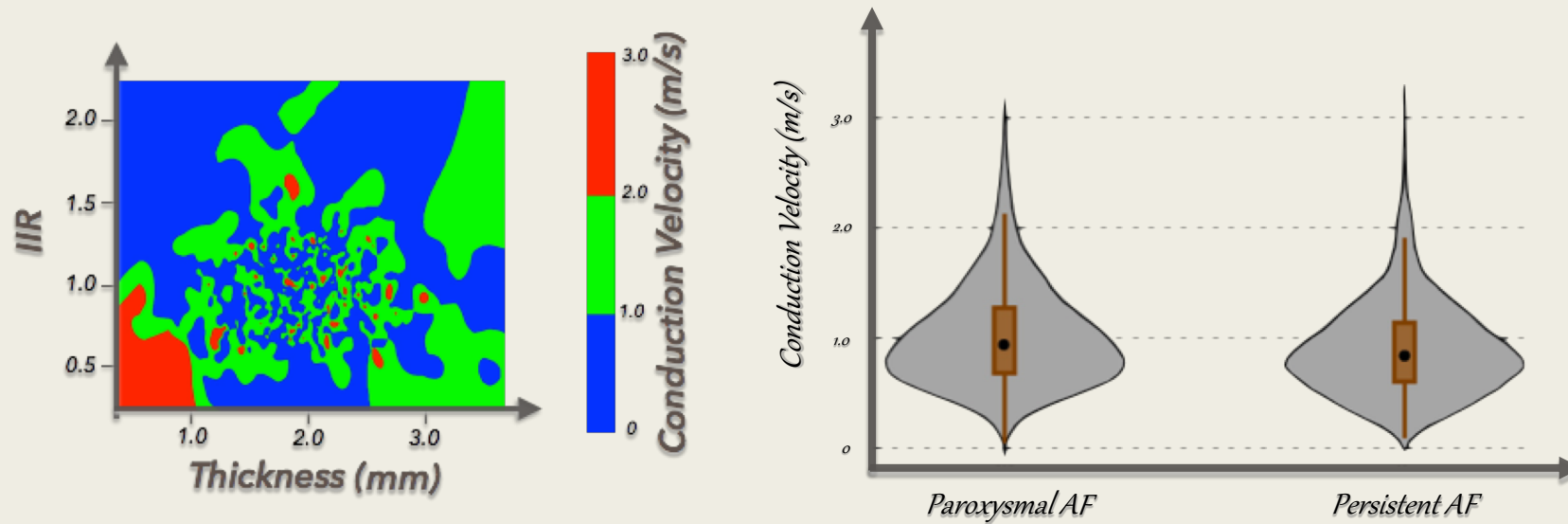
Applicability to clinical ARVC VT ablation? Endocardial ablation to eliminate the epicardial substrate



Left Atrial LGE



Conduction Velocity and LGE

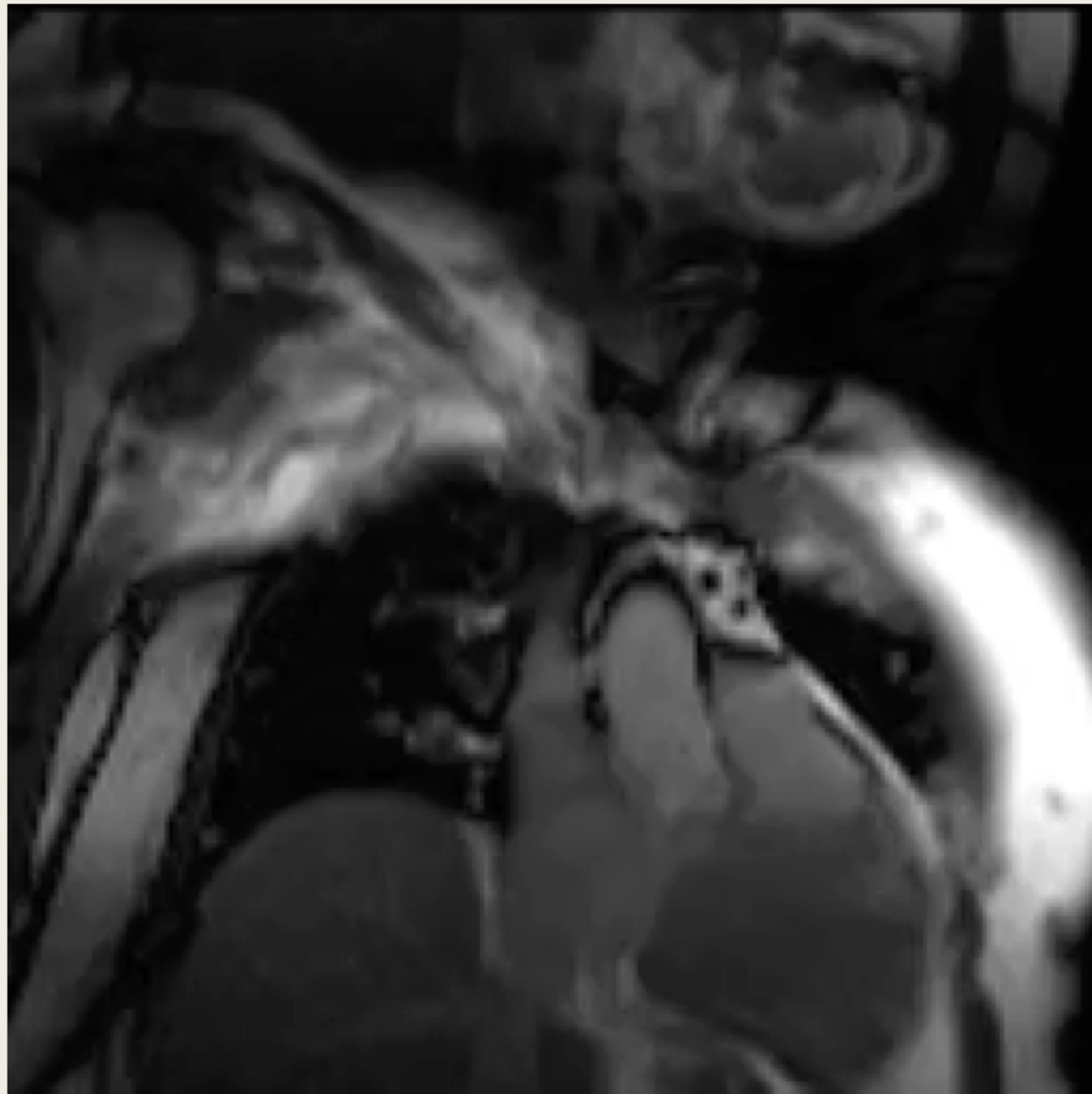


* Data from 22 patients with activation mapping during sinus rhythm

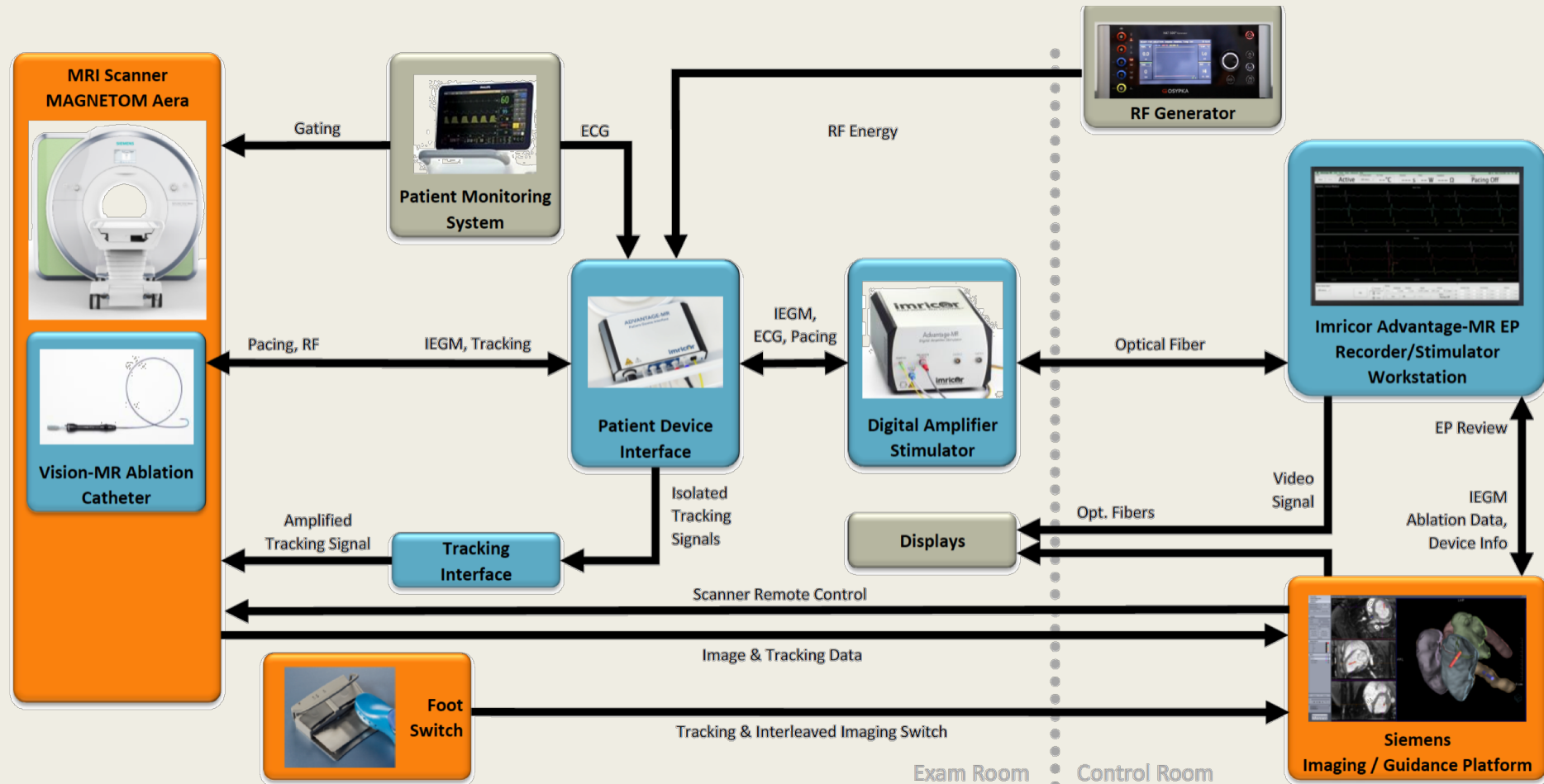
- Increased LGE extent and intensity is associated with lower conduction velocity
- Conduction velocity is lower in patients with persistent AF
- Atrial scar may result in AF sustenance by promoting slow and non-uniform conduction

Real-Time MRI for Catheter Guidance in EP Studies

- An MRI-compatible EP system was developed.
- Catheters were targeted to the HRA, His, and RV in 10 mongrel dogs (23 to 32 kg) via a 1.5-T MRI system using rapidly acquired fast gradient-echo images (≈ 5 frames per second).
- Comprehensive EP studies with recording of intracardiac electrograms and atrial and ventricular pacing were performed.
- Limited real-time MRI-guided catheter mapping studies were performed in 2 patients.



Real-Time MRI for Ablation Procedures: The Imricor Siemens System



Preparation

Registration

Segmentation

Navigation

Interactive Seq:

Follow Device:

Follow Mode:

Mapping

Scanner Control

Opacity:

Clipping:

MPR Slice Thickness:

Rotate MPR:

Use MPR Segment:

Add MPR Setup

Cockpit

Segmentations

sorta ☐

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4 Mapping

M 1 3 ms

M 2 12 ms

M 3 12 ms

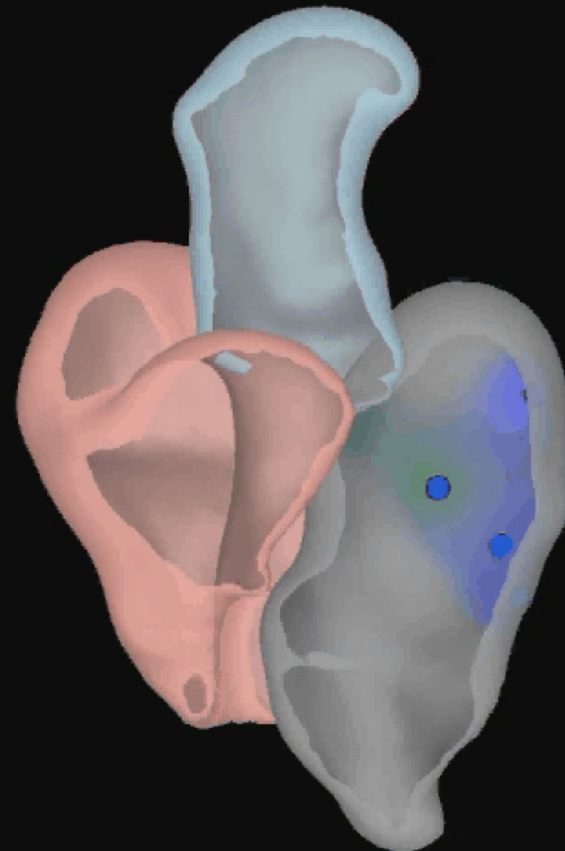
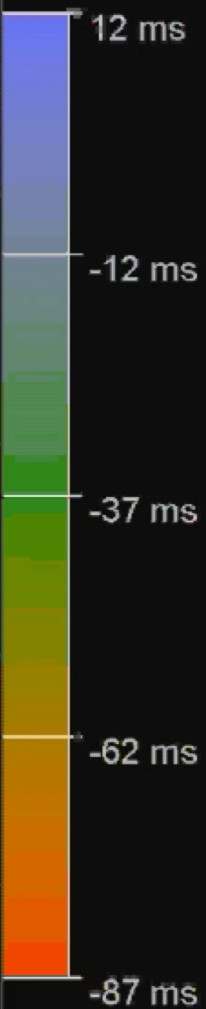
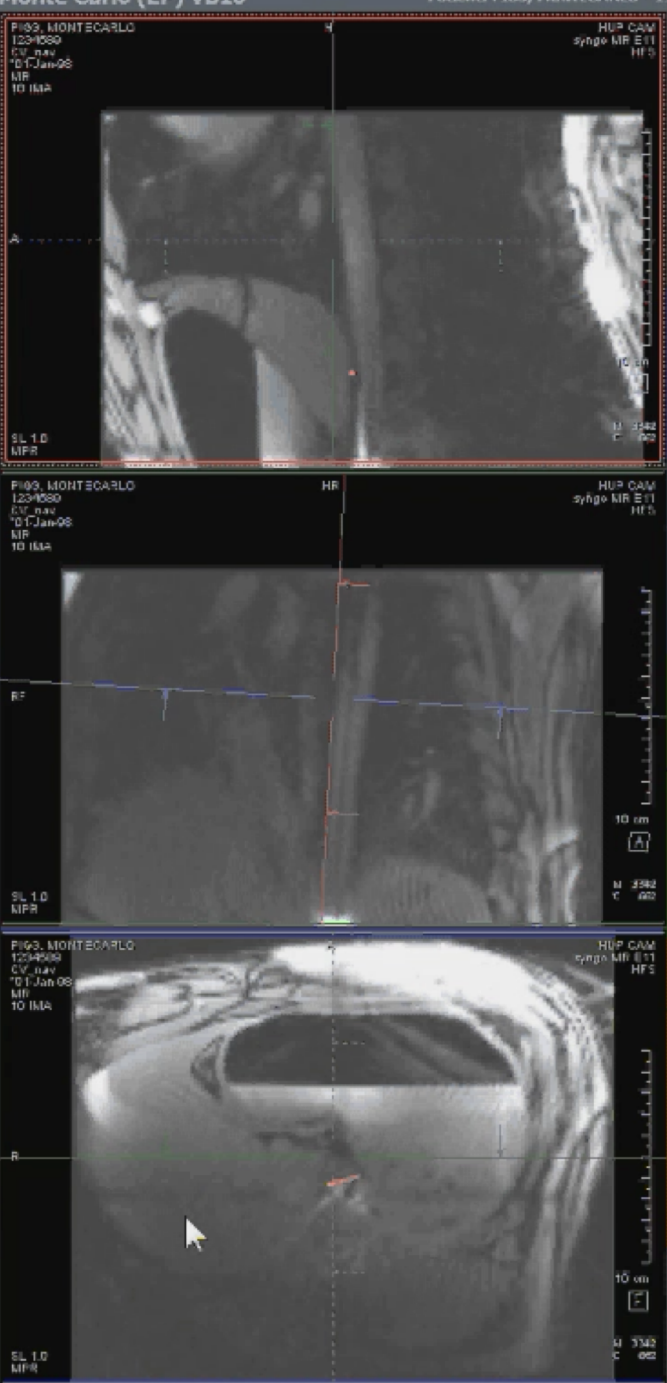
M 4 -27 ms

M 5 -23 ms

Planned Ablation

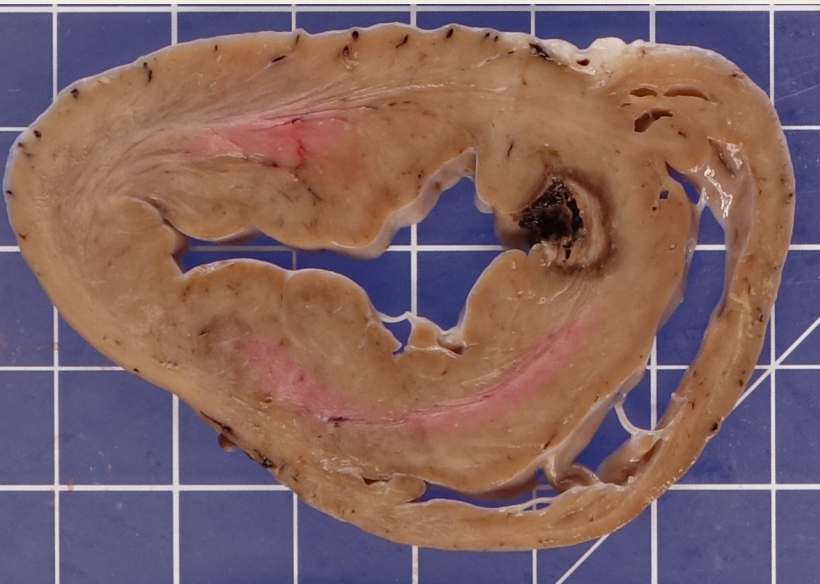
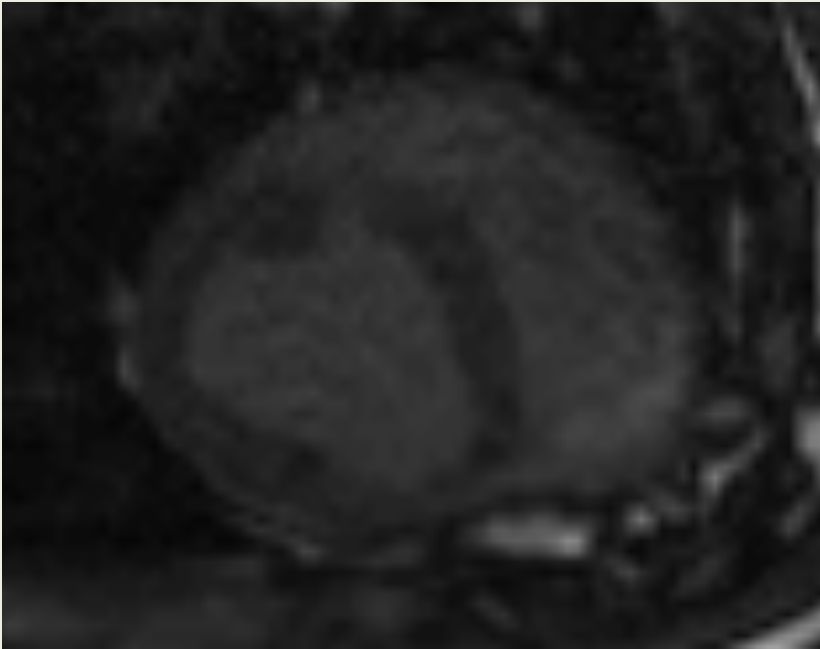
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10 cm





MAGNASAFE and our registry results, led CMS to expand MRI coverage in the setting of devices

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Safety of Magnetic Resonance Imaging in Patients with Cardiac Devices

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- 1509 patients, 58% with a pacemaker and 42% with an ICD that underwent 2103 thoracic and non-thoracic MRI examinations 1.5 Tesla.
- No long-term clinically significant adverse events were reported.

- In 9 MRI examinations (0.4%; 95% CI, 0.2 to 0.7), power-on-reset occurred. The reset was transient in 8 but permanent in 1 at battery EOL prior to scan, which required replacement.
- The observed changes in lead parameters were not clinically significant and did not require device revision or reprogramming.

| Time of Assessment and Variable | No. of Patients† | Baseline Setting | Decrease from Baseline | | | | ≤20% Change from Baseline | | Increase from Baseline | | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------------------------|--------|------------------------------|--------|---------|------|
| | | | >50% | 41–50% | 31–40% | >20–30% | | | >20–30% | 31–40% | 41–50% | >50% |
| | | | median (IQR) | | | | | | number of patients (percent) | | | |
| Immediately after MRI | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| P-wave amplitude | 1347 | 3.0 (2.0–4.6) mV | 13 (1) | 26 (2) | 35 (3) | 97 (7) | 1049 (78) | 32 (2) | 53 (4) | 28 (2) | 14 (1) | |
| RV R-wave amplitude | 1799 | 11.2 (8.0–14) mV | 5 (<1) | 4 (<1) | 15 (1) | 117 (6) | 1583 (88) | 20 (1) | 35 (2) | 12 (1) | 8 (<1) | |
| LV R-wave amplitude | 72 | 11.4 (7.0–19.7) mV | 0 | 0 | 2 (3) | 5 (7) | 61 (85) | 2 (3) | 2 (3) | 0 | 0 | |
| Atrial lead impedance | 1559 | 473 (413–540) ohms | 0 | 0 | 1 (<1) | 2 (<1) | 1553 (100) | 3 (<1) | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| RV lead impedance | 2021 | 532 (448–640) ohms | 0 | 0 | 1 (<1) | 4 (<1) | 2014 (100) | 2 (<1) | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| LV lead impedance | 202 | 629 (512–769) ohms | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 (<1) | 201 (100) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Atrial capture thresh- old | 1338 | 0.8 (0.5–1.0) V | 2 (<1) | 28 (2) | 37 (3) | 32 (2) | 1143 (85) | 17 (1) | 36 (3) | 34 (2) | 9 (<1) | |
| RV capture threshold | 1969 | 0.8 (0.7–1.0) V | 3 (<1) | 32 (2) | 45 (2) | 54 (3) | 1669 (85) | 39 (2) | 65 (3) | 47 (2) | 15 (<1) | |
| LV capture threshold | 200 | 1 (0.8–1.5) V | 1 (<1) | 3 (2) | 4 (2) | 7 (4) | 164 (82) | 10 (5) | 7 (4) | 4 (2) | 0 | |
| Battery voltage | 1578 | 2.8 (2.8–3.0) V | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1577 (100) | 0 | 0 | 1 (<1) | 0 | |
| At long-term follow-up after MRI‡ | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| P-wave amplitude | 826 | 3.1 (2.0–4.7) mV | 29 (4) | 42 (5) | 39 (5) | 91 (11) | 498 (60) | 33 (4) | 37 (4) | 25 (3) | 32 (4) | |
| RV R-wave amplitude | 1072 | 11.2 (8.0–13.8) mV | 8 (1) | 21 (2) | 54 (5) | 101 (9) | 732 (68) | 53 (5) | 46 (4) | 24 (2) | 33 (3) | |
| LV R-wave amplitude | 26 | 19.7 (10.0–25.0) mV | 0 | 0 | 1 (4) | 0 | 20 (77) | 3 (12) | 1 (4) | 1 (4) | 0 | |
| Atrial lead impedance | 1021 | 475 (416–548) ohms | 0 | 1 (<1) | 6 (1) | 22 (2) | 975 (96) | 11 (1) | 3 (<1) | 1 (<1) | 2 (<1) | |
| RV lead impedance | 1286 | 535 (447–644) ohms | 1 (<1) | 3 (<1) | 9 (1) | 26 (2) | 1214 (94) | 25 (2) | 3 (<1) | 1 (<1) | 4 (<1) | |
| LV lead impedance | 106 | 675 (538–830) ohms | 0 | 1 (1) | 0 | 2 (2) | 100 (94) | 3 (3) | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Atrial capture thresh- old | 725 | 0.8 (0.5–1.0) V | 4 (1) | 28 (4) | 47 (6) | 37 (5) | 469 (65) | 19 (3) | 43 (6) | 48 (7) | 30 (4) | |
| RV capture threshold | 1105 | 0.8 (0.7–1.0) V | 10 (1) | 41 (4) | 66 (6) | 71 (6) | 693 (63) | 48 (4) | 63 (6) | 65 (6) | 48 (4) | |
| LV capture threshold | 105 | 1 (0.8–1.4) V | 0 | 5 (5) | 5 (5) | 6 (6) | 64 (61) | 4 (4) | 10 (10) | 8 (8) | 3 (3) | |
| Battery voltage | 930 | 2.8 (2.8–3.0) V | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 (<1) | 925 (100) | 1 (<1) | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

Conclusions

- The location of critical components of ventricular scar for myocardial reentry can be estimated by MRI
 - *In or directly adjacent to regions with dense scar*
- Real-time MRI guidance of EP procedures is moving forward with wider enthusiasm by clinicians and industry
- Restrictions for MRI in the setting of implanted devices have been overcome

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